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## PROCESS FOR ASYMMETRICALLY HYDROGENATING KETOCARBOXYLIC ESTERS

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The present invention relates to a process for preparing enantiomerically enriched  $\alpha$ - and  $\beta$ -hydroxycarboxylic esters from the corresponding ketocarboxylic esters and also to catalysts usable therefor.